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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATIC VERIFICATION OF

PROPERTIES OF A CONCURRENT SOFTWARE SYSTEM

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend it as follows: